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Letter dated 21 November 2012 from the Permanent Representative of South Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

It is with much regret that the Permanent Mission of the Republic of South Sudan informs the Security Council of the aerial bombardment by the Sudan Armed Forces of Kiir Adem and Gok Machar in Northern Bahr el Ghazal State yesterday, 20 November 2012, at 2 p.m. South Sudan time and today, 21 November 2012, at 10.30 a.m. South Sudan time, respectively.

As a result of these unfortunate bombings, the Government of South Sudan reports that three women, one man and one child have lost their lives, thus far. This is a further violation of the territorial integrity of the Republic of South Sudan, as well as a violation of Security Council resolution 2046 (2012), and specifically its paragraph 1 (i). We respectfully request the Security Council to demand that the Republic of Sudan immediately cease all hostilities, in line with its obligations under international law. Our two States have taken important and welcome steps to strengthen relations in recent weeks, most notably through the signature of the cooperation agreements on 27 September 2012, and this progress must be sustained.

I would be grateful if this letter could be circulated to the members of the Security Council as a document.

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